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UNDERTAKING—all day or night calls answered, and funeral conducted by Mr. G. F. North, residence 220 Michigan Ave. Wo odard & North,

Company G.

The members of Co. G are anticipating ome new features at camp next week and are preparing for them as well as they can. Riot drill is one of the new lessons to be learned, while the matter of making a forced march and the sending out of an advance guard while making the march will furnish a chance for further work and study. The company expects to start out at about noon and march out a number of miles. They will halt, cook their own suppers, camp for the night and march back in time to let others start on similar trips the next noon.

Meeting of School Board.

The school board met Tuesday evening at the office of the president, Wm. M. Kilpat-

rick, and transacted routine business. The drive well at the Bryant was ordered put down lower. At the Central the seating of one of the rooms was ordered changed and some of the old rooms on the first floor are to receive a fresh coat of paint of a light color. The matter of re-slating a number of the blackboards was also taken up and provided for.

No one had been engaged to take the place of principal of the Emerson school and it was left without action Tuesday

I wo census takers were appointed; Ernest H. Jacobs for the first sub-district or all west of Washington street, and Miss Alice Thorne for the second sub-district comprising all east of Washington street.

Their Best Year.

H. D. Lyon, of the firm of Lyon & Pond, is preparing to go to New York in about ten days. He will spend two weeks in that city buying goods for the firm, which will be shipped so that they can be placed in the new store immediately. In speaking of the present condition of the business of the firm, Mr. Lyon said that while each year since they started had seen their business increase over the preceding year, the six months just closed had seen the largest increase in their business of any period since they started. The amount of business done has been fully twenty per cent more than that during the same months in 1896. The sales during the month of July this year have been double those for July of last year, and their stock has been reduced to the lowest mark it has ever reached since they began business. The number of clerks has been increased by two. The improvement has city and among those from the country. As this firm does only a cash business the increase shows that there is an increasing number of people who know that there is money in circulation and who believe it is present. In the setting up shop there are none too good to circulate.

SINKING A NEW SHAFT.

The Owosso Coal & Mining Co. will Greatly Increase Its Output.

The Owesso Coal & Mining Co. has been making test drillings in the vicinity of its shaft for over a year trying to find the lowest point in the veln of coal it is working. cently R. E. Travis, the proprietor, came to the conclusion that he had found the point desired and at once began the work of getting the necessary leases signed preparatory to sinking a new shaft. This work was completed the first of the week and vesterday excavations were begun at the new location.

The new shaft is about a mile and a quarter from the old one and is between the old one and Owosso, a fact which will shorten the length of haul about five miles a day for each team hauling coal to this city. The shaft is about a half mile from the spur running out to the Corunna mine and a track will be laid connecting their mine with the railroad, thus giving this company the advantages of railway shipments besides being nearer to the Owosso market.

Another important feature relative to the new location which would not be thought of by an outsider is that it is located at the lowest point of the vein of coal which will be worked and hence all the water in the mine will naturally run to the shaft, where it can be pumped out. The old shaft lacked this natural convenience and consequently considerable extra expense was involved in keeping it dry.

The most convenient and improved mining machinery will be put in, such as a large hoisting engine, screens, tipples, large pumps, etc., and the new derrick and engine house will cover a first-class plant-the cost of which complete will probably be over \$4000.

The old shaft will be worked as at present until the new one is completed and then it will be kept dry until the two are connected under ground. After this is accomplished, the old shaft will be used simply as an air shaft to provide ventilation for the mine, the usual plan being to keep a fire burning at the foot of the air shaft, thus creating a draft upward and drawing

in pure air at the main shaft. The output of the present shaft has been about twenty or twenty-five tons per day. The output of the new one as soon as it is in complete running order will be about one hundred tons, which can be increased as occasion may require to as much as two hundred tops per day.

Owosso friends of Mr. Travis will be pleased to note this evidence of his success and the improved facilities he will have for his work.

For sale, a full blood Jersey heifer caif. Inquire at this office.

Reception for Normalites.

The summer normal conducted by A. J. Cadman closes today after a very successful term which has been attended by about thirty-six persons. Last evening was in one sense the close of the term, as a reception was given to the normalites, their friends, and the instructors.

The tables and desks were moved out into the rear rooms, leaving the assembly room free of obstructions. Light refreshments were served at the end of the room which was cut off from the main part by an archway and curtains. The main part of the room was very prettily decorated with lace curtains, pictures, mirrors, rugs, and easy

The following gentlemen had been invited to give five minute talks during the evening: H. K. White, Journalistic Education; Dr. B. S. Knapp, Medical Education; S. E. Beeman, College Education; Judge Smith, Legal Education; O. L. Bristol, Rural Education; Mrs. Etta Gould and the Mesdames I. G. and A. L. Curry had also been invited to sing. Everything passed off pleasantly and satisfactorily to all.

The teachers who have been assisting Mr. Cadman are: S. E. Beeman, O. L. Bristol, Miss Anna Bartrem; Miss Anna Wonnacott has also been assisting in shorthand work. Judge Smith gave one talk Wednesday which was of great interest and practical value. He also gives another today. Mr. Cadman has a plan under consideration for continuing the normal work during the whole of the year.

At the Car Shops.

Harry Mackey is back again at the shops. He had all he wanted of Durand in a very short time and is glad to be back here

Engine No. 201 was sent out of the shops yerterday to make a trial trip, after a complete overhauling. No. 33 has taken its place in the shop.

Charles Duffy, George Walton, Samuel French, George Palmer and William Pease were called to Frankfort Saturday morning to repair the boilers of one of the big ferry boats. They returned Tuesday evening.

Perhaps it is the last place in the world that any one would look for luxury in the matter of dress, but a person can go into the wood working mill at almost any time and see men at work with their clothing protected by plush aprons, held up with been noticed both among buyers from the plush straps. This may seem a trifle "tony," but then old cushion covers may as well be put to some good use.

There is an unusually small number of four flat cars which are being built over into box cars, while in the yard outside there are about ten box cars in various stages of repair. These with one caboose and a snow plow constitute nearly the whole list of "cripples" in this department The yards do not look much as they did during the spring and summer months of wrecks. In fact the road is apparently having too smooth sailing for this depart-

ment to do a very large business. A break in the power cable between the mill and the machine shop, occasioned some week. No one was hurt by the break, though men had been passing under it but a short time before.

BIGGEST IN THEIR HISTORY.

The Last Six Months Trade at Osburn & Sons' Proves to be Such.

Osburn & Sons did a larger business during the first six months of the present year than they have ever done during the same months of any year since they have been in business in this city. This statement was made to THE TIMES yesterday by a representative of the firm who said in addition that the amount of business done not only exceeded that of any similar period by a good many thousands of dollars, but that another beauty of it was that a much larger per cent of it has been a cash business than ever before, while collections on the remainder had been very good indeed.

The above large increase in the amount of business done comes in the face of the fact that there is hardly a line of goods sold by this firm which has not been sold at Mrs. J. Potter Wednesday - Ticket agent considerably lower prices than ever before and consequently at a smaller profit on week in St. Johns-Several from this separate sales. When this is taken into place attended the Free Methodist campconsideration it is seen in an instant that in meeting in Bannister, Sunday-Mrs. order to make such a large increase in the Mary Potter was the guest of Mrs. A. E. goods sold must have exceeded that of any and Mrs. A. E. Cadz were the guests of Mr. previous years by still larger figures. This and Mrs. Arthur White, of Ovid, Friday of has been true, and has compelled the em- last week--Miss Edna Wilkiu, of Rew, is ployment of additional clerks, there be- visiting friends in this place-Mrs. Wm. ing more employed there at present than Merrell, of Ovid, is spending the week with

feelings of the farmers has been particular- Wright spent Sunday with paterfamiliasly noticeable. All this season the farmers Mrs. H. Scott spent part of the week with have been feeling much better, and have relatives in Bannister-Mrs. A. E. Cadz been buying much more freely than for was the guest of Mrs. V. Christmas, Tuesseveral years. This feeling among the day-The farmers of this vicinity held a farmers is especially noticeable at present, meeting Tuesday evening in the school and is growing daily as the certainty of house at this place to consider the question good crops becomes greater and greater, of starting a cheese factory at this place. and as they begin to dispose of them at It was decided to hold another meeting next good prices.

past six months has been more satisfac- above named-Rev. D. S. Cramer will tory in every respect than that for the first conduct the Endeavor meeting Sunday six months of any year since the firm began morning. Topic, "The comfort that comes

The Pioneers of Shiawassee county will hold their annual basket picnic in Caledonia Park, Saturday Aug. 14th commencing at 10:30 a. m. Programme wholly informal, good music, short speeches, poems, ploneer incidents, wolf, bear and snake stories, will constitute the programme, everybody invited. It is expected that every old settler will come prepared to make a short speech or relate a thriling story. Park is on the river between Owosso and Corunna. The electric cars run to the park; fare five cents from either city. Leave your teams in the city barns and enjoy the delight of a trolley ride to the park.

JAMES E. SLOAN, President. L. E. GOULD, Sec'y Pro Tem.

Frank Hoyt is spending his vacation in Bay View-Mrs. L. C. Mead, of St. Johns, spent Sunday with Mrs. B. Beardslee-Winslow Lamb, of New Haven, Conn., is visiting at the home of N. J. Clark-Miss Grace Hatch, of Owosso, visited friends here the latter part of last week-Dr. Martin's family leave today for a few weeks outing, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan-Will Robson and family, who have been visiting for some time in Detroit, returned home last week -Mrs. Elmer Bowlby and little daughter, Bessie, returned last Wednesday from a week's outing at Bay View-Herbert Warne and wife, of Marquette, who have been visiting his parents here, left last week for Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor-Quarterly meeting services were held last Sunday in the Methodist church, Dr. Puffer. presiding

elder of this district, conducting the services.

Ed. Hiller is home from Grand Rapids-Mrs. S. H. Thiers, of Mt. Pleasant, is spending the week with Elsie friends-Mrs. Hammon, of Lyons, is making her daughter, Mrs. T. P. Steadman, a visit--M. B. Netzorg is nicely settled in his new quarters and gives his opening treat Satur- Lynde-The Baptist Y. P. C. E. society day-Several Elsieites spent last Thursday in St. Johns attending the Greatest Show on earth-Several from this vicinity attended the Free Methodist camp meeting at Bannister Sunday-Walter Hammon, who has been teller in the Elsie bank for the past five years, has been engaged as teller in the Ovid bank-T. W. Snelling was in Owosso Tuesday selecting a stock of cigars and tobacco to be placed in the former postoffice building-The members of the M. E. choir were all absent but one, cars in the yards undergoing repairs at Sunday evening, but the little Junior League girls furnished music for the evening--Eisworth Holmes and Miss Forest Waltz, both of Duplain, were united in marriage Monday evening at the M. E. parsonage, Rev. W. L. Holmes officiating.

Vernon.

town Friday-Wm. Crawford and wife present-Rev. and Mrs. Benson returned 1893, after the long series of accidents and left for Topinabee Monday evening-Clarence McCollum is quite sick-Mrs. day-A. Garrison is home from California-Miss Jennie Perry spent Sunday at Milo Howard's --- Rev. Stephens is away delay in the former shop the first of the for a few weeks vacation-A. L. Nichols spent Suuday here-Mrs. E. Severance, of Reading, is visiting at J. Patterson's-Miss Grace Clark returned from Detroit the last of the week. She was accompanied by Mr. Beach and wife and little son, who will visit here a few days-While trying to hold his team near the creamery on Friday, Cyrus Case was quite badly hurt. He was picken up unconscious, but is now able to walk about-Rev. Davidson and wife and son, William, are visiting relatives in London, Canada --- Mrs. D. Lytle and Mrs. H. Richards returned Saturday evening from visiting near Fiint-Frank Tilden was in Decroit Friday-The families of G. Jewell and D. Post are away camping.

Quite a number from this place are camping at Long Lake, Fenton-The aid society and the F. W. Missionary Society held their last meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Alice Scott-Mesdames Aaron Brown and Lester Parks, of Ovid, were the guests of postmaster and Cooper and wife spent Thursday of last amount of money received, the bulk of Gray, of Ovid, two days last week-Mr. ever before during this or any other season. her son, Edd--J. N. McBride is building The change which has taken place in the a large addition to his dwelling--G. U. Tuesday evening. There were committees Taken all together the business for the appointed to look after the interest of the from the Bible."



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., N. Y.

Wheat harvest is now over and threshing

s now the order of the day-Quite a num-

der are cutting oats, which present a condition not common in previous years-heads ripe and straw green. In many places where the grain is lodged a second crop is growing-J. S. Clark threshed 429 bushels of wheat from ten acres. Who can beat that?-O. G. Campbell, of Owosso, was in town last week--A. F. Hunt went to Chicago last Wednesday --- The Byron ball team played the "Yellow Kids," at Fenton, Friday and got badly beaten. It is said they will play again in Byron soon-Celia Smith, a little girl 10 years old, was kicked in the head by a horse, Friday, on the farm of F. and E. Kelsey. When found she was unconsious. The frontal bone was broken. It is thought she will recover-Mrs. Frank Rohrabacher visited relatives at Laingsburg recently-Ray Nobles, formerly of Byron, but now of Akron, N. Y., is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. F. G. enjoyed an outing at Long Lake Tuesday -- Miss Lucille Emmett, of Howell, visited her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sleeth, last week- Rev. Riley Crawford filled the pulpit at the M. E. church last Sunday-Prof. Steadman, of Hartland, who will teach the Byron high school the coming year, was in Byron Wednesday to engage a house to live in-Miss Helen Reynolds is in Chicago visiting Mrs. Nellie Bilhorn-Frank Fitch and Ross Buell are visiting relatives at Traverse City-Birdie Ruggles and Clara Barnes went to Hartland Friday---Mrs. George Bagen is very sick. Ler sister is with her at present Vernon Royce, of Corunna, visited friends in Byron last week --- Mrs. Engle, who is suffering with typhold fever, is now being cared for by her mother, Mrs. Herrick, of Flint-Mrs. Miner and daughter, Mrs. Rev. Woodhouse, of Jackson, was in Josie McEuen, of Wayne, are in Byron at Wednesday night from their visit in Canada -F. B. Sheldon has left his family and Welch and Mrs. Robert Coats were in Durand Tuesday-Ray Welch was at Durand Wednesday-Mrs. Minnle Emmett, of Howell, was at James Sleeth's on Monday,

Time Fast Approaches.

Drs. B. S. & Co., the noted specialists, surgeons and physicians of Muskegon will soon visit this locality. Their fame is so far reaching that it is hardly necessary to comment upon their visit other than to state the time of their arrival. This fact alone, will be sufficient to insure a large attendance on this eminent physician at his private parlors in the hotel. So wonderful his skill, so seemingly marvelous his cures, so peerless his ability that Dr. Ottoman stands to-day unapproachable by any of his coworkers in the field of medicine and surgery. Speedy restoration of life, health. hope, and happiness, has been the result that has been apportioned to thousands who have placed themselves under his care. Death seems appalled, seems utterly routed through the heretofore unbeard-of skill displayed by the doctor.

By all means every suffering and afflicted one should consult with him on his visit to Owosso, Mich., Tuesday Aug. 10th, in the private parlor of the Wildermuth hotel, from 9 a. m. to 6. p. m. One day only. Consultation free and strictly confidential.

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